

*Crown Office,
December 24, 1903.*

MEMBER returned to serve in the present
PARLIAMENT.

County of Salop—Southern or Ludlow Division.
Rowland Hunt, Esq., in the place of Robert
Jasper More, Esq., deceased.

*Foreign Office,
November 14, 1903.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to
appoint George William Buchanan, Esq., C.V.O.,
C.B., to be a Minister Plenipotentiary in His
Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Whitehall, December 26, 1903.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under
His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date
the 26th instant, to appoint John Scott Fox, Esq.,
K.C., to be Recorder of the City of Sheffield, in
the room of Stuart Cunningham Macaskie, Esq.,
K.C., deceased.

Whitehall, December 29, 1903.

The KING has been pleased, by Warrant under
His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date
the 26th instant, to appoint John William St.
Lawrance Leslie, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to be
Recorder of the Borough of Shrewsbury, in the
room of Reginald Brodie Dyke Acland, Esq.,
resigned.

THE INEBRIATES ACT, 1898.

**THE NORTH MIDLANDS INEBRIATE RE-
FORMATORY, ACKWORTH, PONTEFRACT.**

The Right Honourable Aretas Akers-Douglas,
one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of
State, on the application of the Reverend Harold
Nelson Burden, has certified as an Inebriate
Reformatory for Females, under the Inebriates
Act, 1898, certain lands and buildings situate at
Ackworth, in the county of Yorkshire, for the
accommodation of ninety females.

The Certificate bears date the 24th instant.

Whitehall, 29th December, 1903.

*Factory Department, Home Office,
December 24, 1903.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice
that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. M.
M. Williams, an appointment as Certifying
Surgeon, under the Factory Act, at Wheelton, in
the county of Lancaster, is vacant.

*Factory Department, Home Office,
December 28, 1903.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice
that, in consequence of the death of Dr. J. E.
Boyton, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon,
under the Factory Act, at Watlington, in the
county of Oxford, is vacant.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,
December 28, 1903.*

The Office of Official Receiver for the
Bankruptcy Districts of the County Courts
holden at Southampton, Portsmouth, and

Winchester having become vacant through the
resignation of Mr. John Cornelius Moberly, the
Board of Trade have appointed Mr. William
Frederick James Hunt to be Official Receiver for
the said Districts as from the 1st January, 1904.

*Board of Trade,
December 28, 1903.*

COMPANIES (WINDING-UP).

Notice is hereby given that, in accordance
with the notice published in the London Gazette
of the 6th of October last, General Rules have
been made pursuant to section 26 of the Com-
panies (Winding-up) Act, 1890, and the Judica-
ture Act, 1881, amending and consolidating the
existing Rules relating to the winding up of
Companies.

Notice is also given that an Order has been
made pursuant to section 26 of the Companies
(Winding-up) Act, 1890, prescribing a revised
scale of fees to be paid in respect of proceedings
under the said Act.

The new Rules and scale of fees will come into
operation on the 1st January, 1904, and copies
may be purchased from Eyre and Spottiswoode,
East Harding-street, E.C.

**THE BANKRUPTCY ACTS, 1883 to 1890.
THE COMPANIES (WINDING-UP) ACT, 1890.**

Whereas by an Order of the Board of Trade,
dated 14th April, 1890, made under the pro-
visions of Section 66 of the Bankruptcy Act,
1883, it was directed *inter alia* that there should
be two Official Receivers for the Bankruptcy
Districts of the County Courts holden at
Northampton, Bedford, and Luton.

And whereas by such Order Mr. Cecil Mercer,
and Mr. Alfred Ewen were appointed to be
the Official Receivers for the said Bankruptcy
Districts.

And whereas by a further Order, dated 1st
January, 1891, made under the provisions of
Section 4, Sub-section 2, of the Companies
(Winding-up) Act, 1890, it was *inter alia* ordered
that Mr. Cecil Mercer should be the Official
Receiver attached to the said Courts for the pur-
poses of that Act.

And whereas the Board of Trade have deter-
mined, with the concurrence of the Lords Com-
missioners of His Majesty's Treasury, that there
shall, in future, be one Official Receiver only for
the Bankruptcy Districts of the said Courts.

Now therefore the Board of Trade do hereby
revoke the said Orders in so far as they direct
that there shall be two Official Receivers for the
Bankruptcy Districts of the County Courts holden
at Northampton, Bedford, and Luton, and in so
far as they relate to the appointment of Mr. Cecil
Mercer, to be an Official Receiver for the said
Districts, but without prejudice to anything done
or suffered under the said Orders.

And it is further ordered that the said Mr.
Alfred Ewen shall become and be the Official
Receiver attached to the said Courts for all the
purposes of the Bankruptcy Acts, 1883 to 1890,
and the Companies (Winding-up) Act, 1890.

This Order shall commence and come into
operation on the 1st day of January, 1904.

Dated this 19th day of December, 1903.

By the Board of Trade,
G. W. Balfour, President.